

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.213**

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
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SUBJECT: Prevention of Underage Drinking and Access to Alcohol Act

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:
See Below

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:
See Below

BILL SUMMARY:

The proposed bill amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by enacting the "Prevention of Underage Drinking and Access to Alcohol Act of 2007". Among other things, the Bill provides social host criminal liability when alcohol is provided to minors under certain circumstances, requires the registration of kegs, creates the offense of illegal purchase of alcoholic liquors for another's consumption on the premises, and requires criminal charges to be brought against both the seller and purchaser regarding the illegal sale of alcohol liquors to minors.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services

The Department indicates this Bill will have no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State. Any increased costs in Other Funds would be supported by revenues generated upon enactment of this Bill.

Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)

The Department indicates this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund, however, there will be a one-time cost to Other Funds of \$9,680, which is associated with computer programming to implement the new suspension codes for the new criminal offenses. This cost does not include any necessary internal or external communication costs.

Department of Revenue

The Department reports this Bill would have an annual cost to the General Fund of \$136,779. This total includes \$36,779 for the salary, fringe and other operating expenses of 1.00 new FTE, an Auditor II, and \$100,000 for creating and printing labels.


LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Responses from local governments indicate enactment would have little or no impact on expenditures.

SPECIAL NOTES:

The Board of Economic Advisors is the appropriate entity to address any revenue impact associated with this Bill.

Approved by:



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